



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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District 5580

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Other F-M Rotary Clubs

Monday: FM/PM Rotary
5:30 p.m., Lucky 13 Pub
Monday: Fargo West Rotary
Noon, Holiday Inn
Wednesday: Fargo Rotary
Noon, Radisson
Thursday: FM/AM Rotary
7 a.m., Ramada Plaza

If you attend meetings of any of these clubs, just check in. We have a reciprocal agreement.

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Tuesday's program: Robert Bakken of Essentia Hospital gives us an overview of the hospital and clinic's expansion project. Newzad Brifki & Tracey Moorhead are tapped as greeters; Eric Johnson is sergeant at arms.

Members of Rotary-Trinity mission team report on 2015 trip to Haiti

It may come as no surprise that the green of Ireland dominated the Moorhead Rotary scene on St. Patrick's Day. Begreened members gathered at Eventide on Eighth to share Irish stew and soda bread, hear a flurry of Irish jokes and learn more about this year's joint mission trip to the still-devastated nation of Haiti.

Sixth annual Recital for a Cause coming up

Interim president Cindy Nolte reported that recovering president Jon Benson plans to complete his term of service as he works through health issues.

Sam Wai urged Rotarians to reserve Tuesday, March 24, for an evening of truly enjoyable music. The annual Recital for a Cause, now in its sixth year, brings seven of the area's very best young musicians together for a night of inspiring music. Admission to the concert, which begins at 7:30 p.m. at First Lutheran Church, is free ... but the free-will offering, whose proceeds support Rotary's Polio Plus, make this a powerful fund raiser for the five Fargo-Moorhead Rotary clubs and our international project to eradicate polio.



Photos: Plenty of green showed up at Tuesday's Rotary meeting, along with Irish stew & soda bread. Sam Wai urges members to enjoy this year's Recital with a Cause next week. Sergeant at Arms Eric Wilkie. Gary Nolte (right) and members of the joint Rotary-Trinity Haiti team shared observations and experiences from their 2015 mission trip. Team members (below) included Gina Nolte, Chris Johnson, JoLinda Michels, Steve Iverson, Matt Peterson & Eric Johnson. Bill Craft rounds out the table.



Sergeant at arms adds an Irish flavor

Sergeant at Arms Eric Wilkie stuck with the day's festive theme, telling about Dublin's seven active Rotary clubs and then sharing a flurry of Irish jokes. Fines were assessed for failing to wear green — or Minnesota State University Moorhead's school colors of red and black, equally appropriate as the Dragons battle for the NCAA Division II crown.

Happy dollars celebrated both the Dragons and the NDSU Bison basketball teams. Mike Hulett, who celebrated his birthday Tuesday, donated 71 happy dollars for 71 years. Another inspiration was Mike Beaton's new grandchild.

Guests, March 17

Eric Andersson, FES
 Jolinda Michels, Haiti mission trip
 Steve Iverson, Haiti mission trip
 Chris Johnson, Haiti mission trip
 Matt Peterson, Trinity Lutheran
 Pam Bertilrud, guest of Violet Deilke

Make-Ups

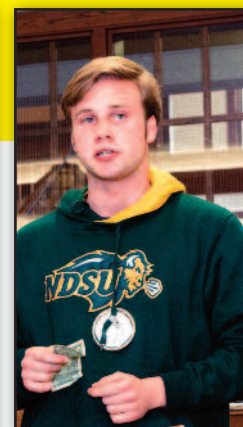
Gary & Cindy Nolte, Al Wattrel
 funeral, 3-14-15, and Fargo
 Rotary, 3-11-15

March Birthdays

Swenson, Robert	Mar 07
Rogers, Jerry	Mar 13
Wilkie, Eric	Mar 13
Holtan, Paul	Mar 14
Hulett, Michael	Mar 17
Ackerman, Stacey	Mar 20
Goodin, Vern	Mar 21

Club Anniversaries

Wai, Samuel	14 years
	Mar 01 2001
Filler, Doreen	1 Year
	Mar 11 2014
Belcher, Barb	2 years
	Mar 19 2013
Hagemann, Ron	2 years
	Mar 19 2013
Goodin, Vern	19 years
	Mar 26 1996



Haiti volunteers build warehouse for supplies

Gary Nolte introduced six members of the 16-person volunteer team who journeyed to Haiti this winter. Among them were three Rotarians, including Eric Johnson; Gina Monson, making her first trip; and Gary himself, for whom this was the ninth trip to the needy island nation.

Other members, both individuals and couples, came from Moorhead's Trinity Lutheran Church, which has co-oped with Rotary on the missions for many years. This year's goal was to help build a concrete warehouse to store disaster relief supplies, still desperately needed three years after the catastrophic damage of Hurricane Sandy.

Gary snags raffle chance but no prize

Gary's raffle ticket earned him a chance to draw a card for the weekly raffle and its \$500-plus pot. The luck of the Irish eluded him, though, and the kitty continues to grow.



Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

Tuesday, March 24

Sergeant at Arms:E Johnson
 ROD:Jerry Rogers
 Program:Robert Bakken, Essentia
 Hospital, overview of expanded hospital & clinic
 Greeters:N Brifki & T Moorhead

Tuesday, March 24: Recital for a Cause

7:30 p.m.First Lutheran Church, Fargo

Tuesday, March 31

Sergeant at Arms & ROD:M Hulett
 Program:Mark Peihl, Clay Co. archivist,
 "Doc Humphry's Home Movies, An Amateur
 Filmmaker's view of Moorhead in 1917"
 Greeters:M Bertilrud & H Miller

Tuesday, April 7

April Travel Drawing
 Sergeant at Arms:.....E Johnson
 ROD:Gary Nolte
 Program:.....Rotarian Newzad Brifki's
 humanitarian aid mission to Kurdistan

Greeters:.....A Blackhurst & G Monson

Tuesday, April 14

Sergeant at Arms & ROD:J Hannig
 Programs:.....FES Eric Andersson
 Greeters:.....N Brifki & N Moore

Thursday, April 16: Taste of Moorhead

Tuesday, April 21

Sergeant at Arms:.....D Sederquist
 ROD:.....Russ Hanson
 Program:Mark Piehl, "Old Georgetown
 Transition Crossroads to Clay County"
 Greeters:.....A Cater & T Moorhead

Tuesday, April 28

Sergeant at Arms:.....E Wilkie
 ROD:G Johnson
 Program: Matt Stenehjelm, Bell State Bank,
 "Bank fraud, credit card fraud & scams"
 Greeters:W Craft & K Parries

Classical musicians to perform as if lives depend on it.

Local young, award-winning musicians
to perform in an effort to end polio worldwide.

FARGO / MOORHEAD ROTARY CLUBS

RECITAL WITH A CAUSE

BENEFITTING POLIO PLUS



Tuesday, March 24, 2015

7:30 PM

First Lutheran Church

619 Broadway, Fargo

Free Admission

DOOR PRIZES!

Drawing for FM Symphony Season Ticket Vouchers